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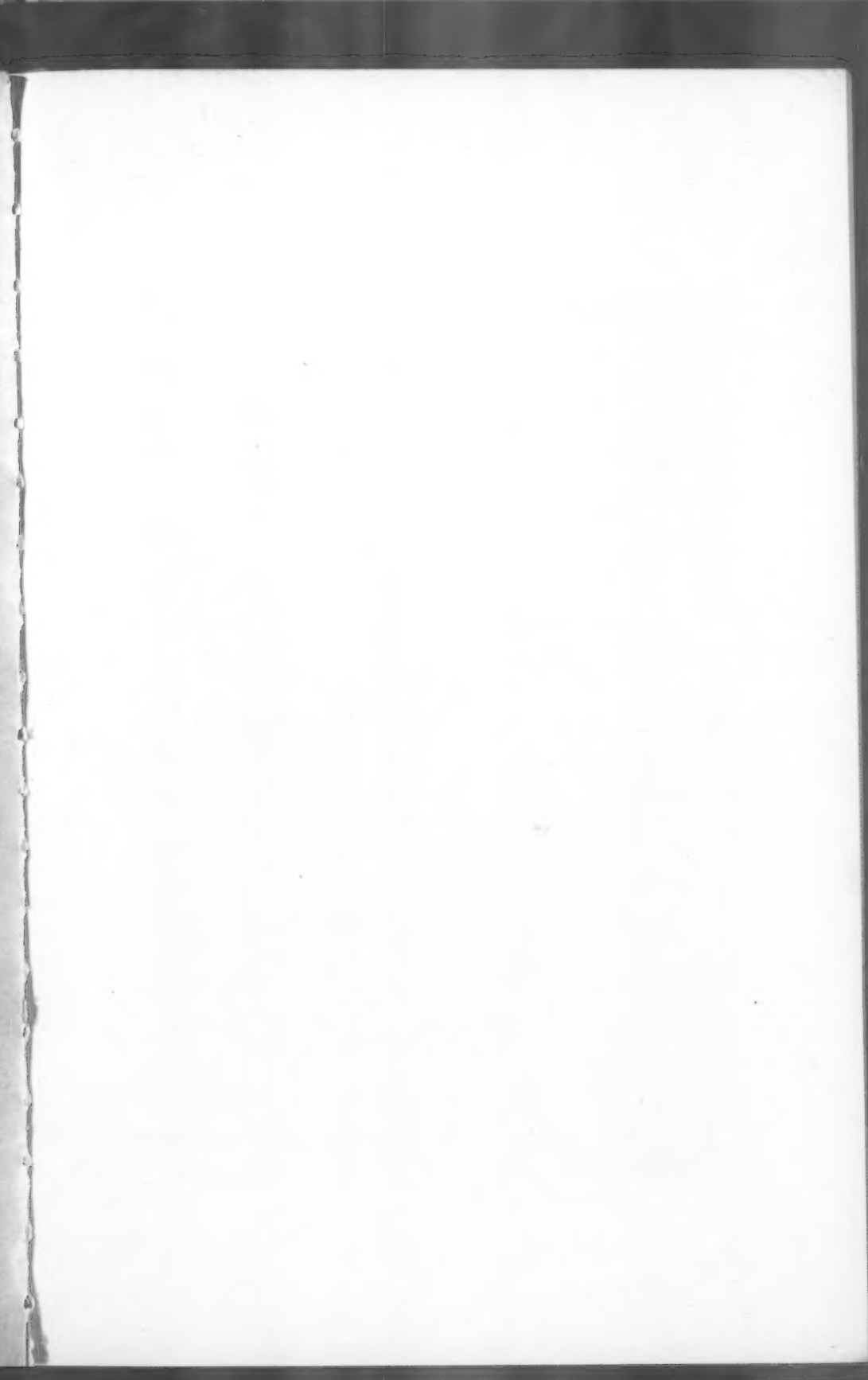
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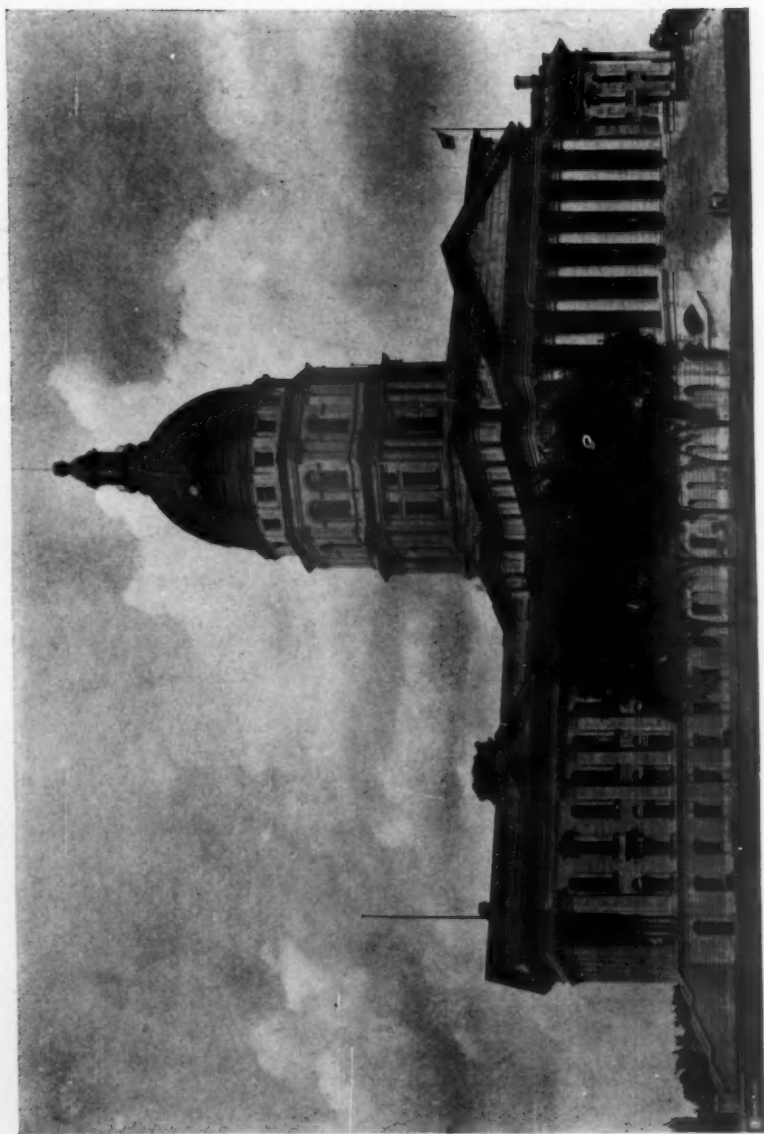
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1. The National Conference of Charities and Correction.....	27th	May, 18-24, 1900...
2. Canadian Conference of Charities and Correction.....	3rd	June, 5-6, 1900...
3. Colorado State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	6th	Nov. 18-20, 1900...
4. Delaware State Conference of Charities and Institutions.....	4th	April, 1900.....
5. Illinois State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	5th	Oct. 3-4, 1900....
6. Indiana State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	9th	Dec., 1900.....
7. Iowa State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	3rd	Mar., 1901.....a
8. Maryland Conference of Charities and Correction.....	3rd	Nov., 1900.....
9. Michigan Conference of County Agents, and Convention of the Board of Correction and Charities.....	18th	Dec. 14-15, 1899...
10. Minnesota State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	9th	Oct. 1-3, 1900....
11. Missouri State Convention of Charities and Correction.....	2nda
12. Nebraska State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	3rd	Feb., 7-8, 1900....
13. New Hampshire State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	2nd	April, 11, 1900....
14. New York Convention of County Superintendents of the poor.....	30th	June, 12-14, 1900..
15. Ohio State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	10th	Oct., 1900.....a
16. Pennsylvania Association of Directors of the Poor and Charities.....	26th	Oct., 1900.....a
17. Wisconsin State Conference of Charities and Correction.....	10tha

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1. American Humane Association.....	24th	Nov., 1900.....
2. American Medico-Psychological Association.....		May 22-25, 1900...
3. American Social Science Association.....	30th	May, 7-11, 1900...
4. Association of Assistant Physicians of Hospitals for Insane.....	8th	Sept., 1900.....
5. Association of Medical Officers of American Institutions for Idiotic and Feeble-Minded.....	24th	May, 1900.....
6. Association of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses.....	6th	May, 1900.....
7. Illinois Association of Supervisors, Co. Com'rs and Co. Clerks.....		Jan., 1901.....
8. Indiana Association of Township Trustees.....		Dec. 27-28, 1899...
9. Michigan Superintendents of the Poor and Union Association.....	26tha
10. Mohonk Indian Conference.....		Oct. 10, 1900....
11. National Childrens' Home Society.....	17th	May, 1900.....
12. National Conference of Day Nurseries.....	4th	1900.....
13. National Congress of Mothers.....	5th	May 21-25, 1900...
14. National Prison Association.....	24th	Sept. 15-17, 1900..
15. National Prison Chaplains' Association.....	15th	Sept. 15-17, 1900..
16. Prison Wardens' Association.....		Sept. 15-17, 1900..

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b. Place not yet fixed.

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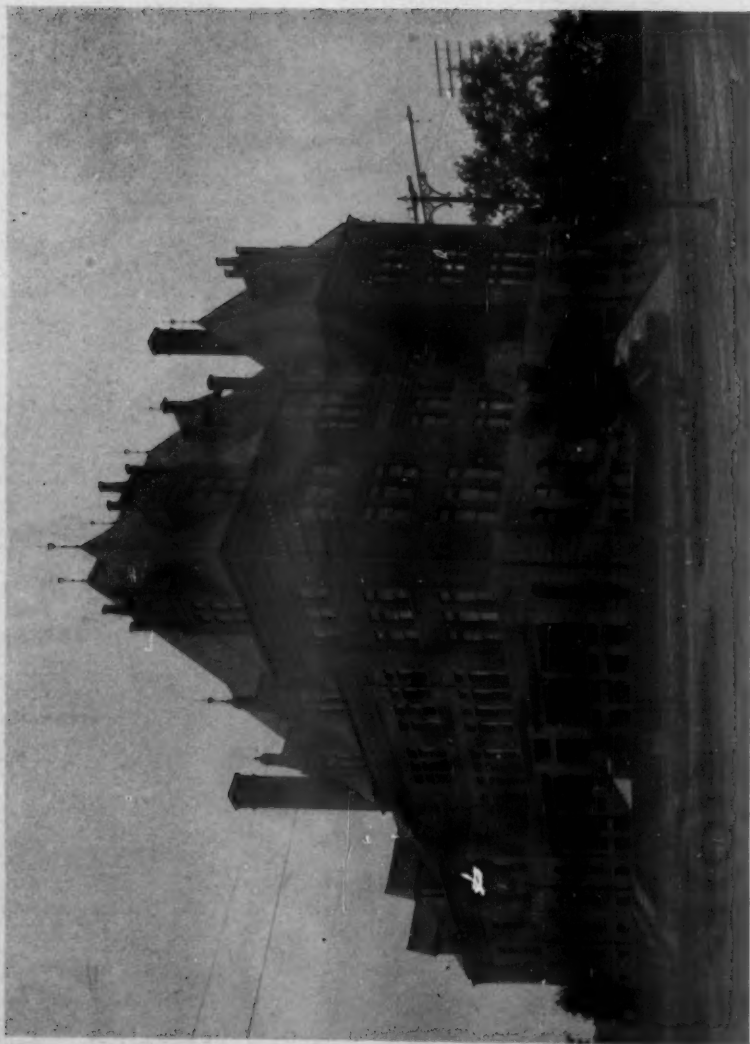
The Topeka Conference.

The Twenty-seventh National Conference of Charities and Correction will meet at the State Capitol, Topeka, Kan., May 18 to 24, 1900.

Personnel. ALL indications point to a most interesting Conference. Many of the leaders in this field of work will be present, including Prof. Frank B. Sanborn, of Concord, Mass., a veteran friend of Kansas; Hon. Fred H. Wines, LL.D., Assistant Director of the United States Census; Hon. L. G. Kinne, of the Iowa State Board of Control; Rev. Samuel G. Smith, D.D., of St. Paul, Minn., Prof. of Sociology in the Minnesota State University; Miss Julia C. Lathrop, of the Illinois State Board of Public Charities; Gen. R. Brinkerhoff, of the Ohio State Board of Charities, a famous expert in prison reform; Mrs. Sarah S. Decker, President of the Colorado State Board of Charities and Correction; Mrs. Isabel C. Barrows, of Boston, the most thoroughly informed woman on these subjects in the United States; Hon. Philip C. Garrett, of Philadelphia, famous for his interest both on the Indian question and in general philanthropy, together with many other distinguished men and women from all parts of the country. Many delegates have already been appointed.

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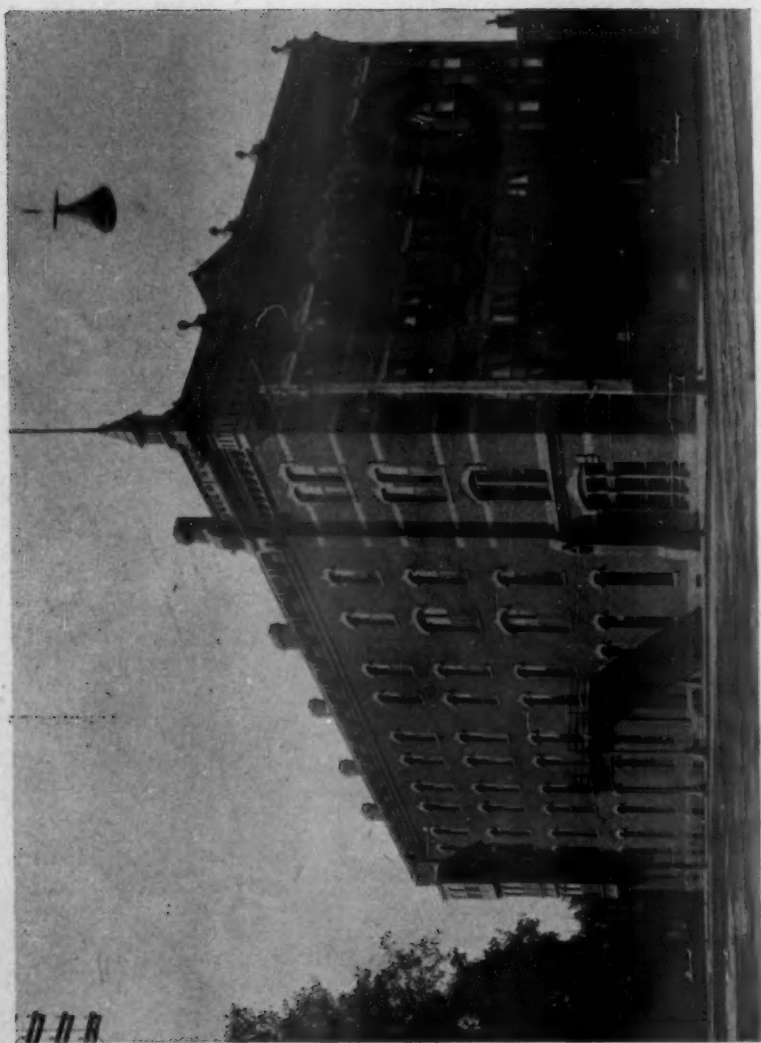
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Headquarters: THE headquarters of the Conference at Topeka will be at the Copeland Hotel, one block from the State Capitol, where the sessions of the Conference will be held. The Copeland can furnish adequate accommodations for about 125 delegates. Delegates are requested to call at the Copeland and register on arrival.

The following hotel rates are offered :

The Copeland Hotel (Conference Headquarters).—\$2, \$2.50 and \$3 per day. (Delegates paying \$2.50 or \$3 will receive a reduction of 50 cents per day if two in a room.)

The Hotel Throop, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3 per day. (Delegates paying \$2.50 or \$3 per day will receive a reduction of 50 cents per day if two in a room.)

The National Hotel, \$2 and \$2.50 per day. (Delegates paying \$2.50 will receive a reduction of 50 cents per day if two in a room.)

The Chesterfield Hotel, \$1.50 to \$2 per day.

The Union Pacific Hotel, \$1.50 to \$2 per day.

The Fifth Ave. Hotel, \$1 to \$1.25 per day.

The Dutton House, \$1 to \$1.25 per day.

The Sixth Ave Hotel, 70 cents to \$1 per day.

The above rates vary according to number in a room and location. The local committee states that these hotels are well kept, respectable houses.

Accommodations can be had in first-class boarding houses at low rates. Rooms can be engaged in private houses and meals can be obtained at restaurants at from 15 to 50 cents per meal.

Rooms can be engaged by addressing the hotels direct, or by addressing Major T. J. Anderson, Secretary of the Local Committee, Topeka, Kansas.



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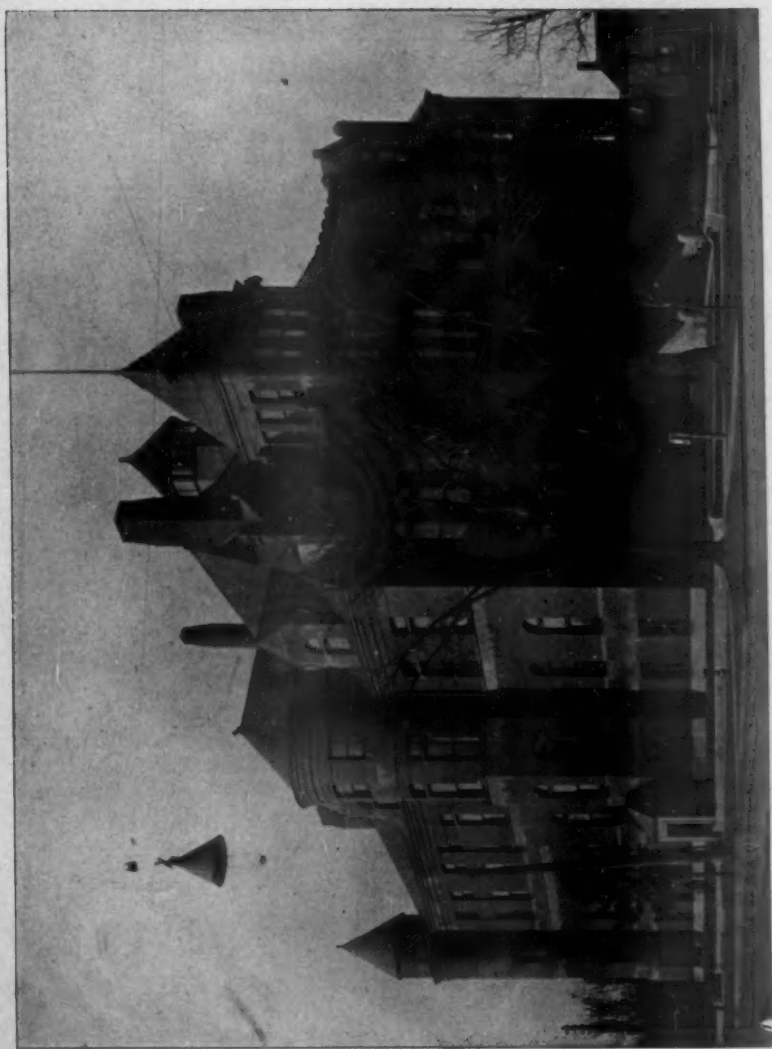
Membership Fees. ALL delegates are invited to become members of the Conference. The annual membership fee is \$2.50, which will include the Proceedings of the Topeka Conference, a volume of about 500 pages, together with reduced railroad fares. New members desiring the Proceedings of the Cincinnati Conference of 1899, or the New York Conference of 1898, can obtain them at half rate, 75c.

Visitors. DELEGATES are not required to become members of the Conference, but may be enrolled as "Visitors," and participate in the proceedings without payment of the membership fee. "Visitors" presenting railroad certificates for signature will be required to pay a nominal fee of \$1 to assist in meeting the expenses of the Conference. The visitor's fee of \$1 will not include the volume of Proceedings, of which the price will be \$1.50.

Place of Meeting. THE State of Kansas has placed the State Capitol at the disposal of the Conference, with the use of the legislative halls and other convenient rooms.

Hospitalities. TOPEKA is a most hospitable city. Hon. James A. Troutman, Ex-Lieutenant Governor, is Chairman of the Local Committee; Major T. J. Anderson, Secretary of the Commercial Club of Topeka, is Secretary of the Local Committee. These gentlemen will have the co-operation of the best men and women in Topeka.

An informal reception will be given to the delegates under the auspices of the Local Committee and the State institutions located at Topeka. Arrangements have been made for members of the Conference to visit the State Insane Hospital at Topeka; Haskell Institute, the celebrated Government School for Indians at Lawrence; also the State Prison and the United States Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth. These visits will be so arranged as not to interfere with the regular work of the Conference.



TOPEKA HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

PROGRAM
—OF THE—
TWENTY-SEVENTH
National Conference of Charities and Correction,
TOPEKA, MAY 18-24, 1900.

GENERAL PROGRAM.

The Meetings of the Conference will be held in the State Capitol, one block from the Conference Headquarters, at the Copeland Hotel.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 18, 1900.

OPENING MEETING.

(Hon. J. A. Troutman, Chairman of the Local Committee, presiding.)

8:00—MUSIC.

PRAYER.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME, by Hon. J. A. Troutman.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME, by Hon. W. E. Stanley, Governor of Kansas.

RESPONSE, by Rev. Samuel G. Smith, D. D. of St. Paul, Minn.

RESPONSE, by Frank B. Sanborn of Concord, Mass.

MUSIC.

9:00—PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS, by Hon. Charles E. Faulkner, President of the Conference.

9:30—RECEPTION to the Members of the Conference, by the citizens of Topeka and the state institutions.

N. B.—The Program as printed is subject to revision. The Official Program will be distributed in convenient form at Topeka.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 19.

GENERAL SESSION.9.30—*Business.**Public Policy in Caring for the Insane.*10:00—*Report of Committee*, by Rev. S. G. Smith, D. D.,
of St. Paul, Chairman.10:20—"Improvements in Medical Care for the Insane,"
by B. D. Eastman, M. D. of Topeka,
Kansas.10:40—"County Care of the Insane," by Frank B. San-
born, of Concord, Mass.11:00—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 19.

1:30—*Visit to State Hospital for Insane.***SECTION MEETING.**2:00—"Reformatories and Industrial Schools."
(See page 17).5:00—*Committee on Time and Place* will meet at the
Copeland Hotel.

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 19.

GENERAL SESSION.*County and Municipal Charities.*8:00—"Development of State Craft in Care of Depend-
ents, Defectives and Delinquents," by Hugh
F. Fox, of Bayonne, N. J., Chairman of the
Committee.8:20—"The Housing of the Working People," by
Edward T. Devine, of New York City.
(With Stereopticon Views.)8:40—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 20.

10:30—*Conference Sermon*, "The Healing Touch," by
Rev. Frederick Howard Wines, LL. D., of
Washington, D. C.(The pulpits of the city will be filled by repre-
sentative members of the conference.)

SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 20.

GENERAL SESSION.

8:00—Music—Prayer—Music.

Prisons and Reformatories for Adults.

8:15—"Conditional Pardons," by Hon. W. E. Stanley,
Governor of Kansas.

Care of Destitute and Neglected Children.

8:35—*Report of the Committee*, by Supt. Galen A.
Merrill, of Owatonna, Minn., Chairman.

8:55—"The Child Saving Movement," by Rev. Hastings
H. Hart, L.L. D., of Chicago.
(With Stereopticon Views)

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

GENERAL SESSION.

9:00—*Business*: Report of Committee on Time and
Place.

Politics in Charitable and Correctional Affairs.

9:30—*Report of the Committee*, by Prof. F. W. Black-
mar, of Lawrence, Kansas, Secretary of the
Committee.

9:50—"Partisan Politics in Public Charities," by Hon.
Philip C. Garrett, of Philadelphia, Chairman
of the Committee.

10:20—*Discussion*, opened by Hon. John D. Milliken, of
McPherson, Kansas.

SECTION MEETINGS.

11:00 to 12:30—"County and Municipal Charities." (See page 15)

"Organization of Charity." (See page 15.)

"Care of Destitute and Neglected Children.

(See page 16.)

"Reformatories and Industrial Schools."

(See page 17.)

MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21.

2:00—*Visit Haskell Institute* (School for Indians at
Lawrence.)

6:00—*Luncheon*. Served by the pupils.

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 21.

GENERAL SESSION.

Reformatories and Industrial Schools.

8:00—*Report of the Committee*, by Supt. L. D. Drake,
of Boonville, Mo., Chairman of the Committee.
(With Stereopticon Views.)

8:40—"Review of Twenty Years Work in Industrial or
Reform Schools, by Supt. T. J. Charlton, of
Plainfield, Ind.

9:40—*Discussion*. Opened by Supt. F. H. Nibecker, of
Glenn Mills, Pa.

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 22.

SECTION MEETING.

- 10:00—"Reformatories and Industrial Schools."
(See page 17.)

GENERAL SESSION.

Care of Feeble-Minded and Epileptics.

- 9:30—*Business.*
10:00—*Report of the Committee*, by Supt. F. M. Powell,
M. D., of Glenwood, Ia., Chairman.
10:20—"My Experience in Caring for the Feeble-Minded,
by Supt. C. S. Newlon, M. D., of Winfield,
Kansas.
10:40—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)
11:20—"The Care of Epileptics," by Hon. Wm. P.
Letchworth, LL. D., of Portage, N. Y.
11:40—"The Cure of Epilepsy," by Supt. A. E. Osborne,
M. D., of Eldridge, Cal.
12:00—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

SECTION MEETINGS.

- 2:00—"County and Municipal Charities," (See page 15.)
"Organization of Charity," (See page 16.)
"Care of Destitute and Neglected Children."
(See page 16.)
"Reformatories and Industrial Schools."
(See page 17.)

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 22.

GENERAL SESSION.

Jails, Lockups and Reformatories.

- 8:00—*Report of Committee*, by C. L. Stonaker, of
Denver, Chairman.
(With Stereopticon Views.)
8:45—"The Management of County Jails," by Secretary
James F. Jackson, of St. Paul, Minn.
9:00—"Jail Construction and Management," by C. M.
Finch, of St. Louis, Mo.
9:15—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 23.

SECTION MEETING.

- 10:00—"Reformatories and Industrial Schools."
(See page 17.)

GENERAL SESSION.

- 9:30—*Business.*
10:00—"Reports from States," by Hastings H. Hart,
LL. D., of Chicago, Chairman of Committee.

(WEDNESDAY MORNING—Continued.)

STATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

- 10:15—*Report of the Committee*, by Hon. Leontine T. Lincoln, of Fall River, Mass., Chairman.
- 10:35—"State Boards of Control, by Hon. L. G. Kinne, of Des Moines, Ia.
- 11:05—"State Supervisory Boards," by Rev. Samuel G. Smith, D. D., of St. Paul, Minn.
- 11:25—*Discussion*. (Five minute limit.)

WEDNESDAY, AFTERNOON, MAY 23.

SECTION MEETINGS.

- 2:00—"County and Municipal Charities." (See page 15)
- "Organization of Charity." (See page 16)
- "Care of Destitute and Neglected Children." (See page 16)
- "Reformatories and Industrial Schools." (See page 17)

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 23.

GENERAL SESSION.

Organization of Charity.

- 8:00—*Report of the Committee* by C. S. Grout, of Indianapolis, Ind., Chairman.
- 8:20—"Out-Door Relief in Relation to Charity Organization," by Geo. S. Wilson, General Secretary, Associated Charities, Washington, D. C.
- 8:40—*Discussion*. (Five minute limit.)

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 24.

Excursion to Leavenworth, Kansas.

- 10:00—*Visit State Prison.*
- 12:00—*Visit U. S. Soldiers' Home.*

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 24.

- 1:30—*Luncheon at Soldiers' Home.*

GENERAL SESSION.

Prisons and Reformatories for Adults.

(Meeting in Soldiers' Home Chapel.)

- 2:30—*Report of the Committee*, by Warden R. W. McClaughry of Leavenworth, Chairman.
- 2:50—"State Reformatories for Adults."
- 3:00—*Discussion*. (Five minute limit.)

Closing Meeting.

- 3:45—*Farewell Words.*
- 4:00—*Adjournment.*



SHAWNEE COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

PROGRAM OF SECTION MEETINGS.

(Subject to Revision.)

I. COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL CHARITIES.

Chairman, Hugh F. Fox, of Bayonne, N. J.

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 19.

8:00—*General Meeting.* (For Program see page 10.)

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

11:00—*Election of Secretary for the Section.*

11:05—"Housing Problems in Small Cities," by Mrs. Emily E. Williamson, of the New Jersey State Charities Aid Association, Elizabeth, N. J.

11:20—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.) Opened by Dr. Edward T. Devine, of New York City.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

2:00—"Social Degeneration in the Rural Districts," by Prof. F. W. Blackmar, of Lawrence.

2:15—*Discussion.* Opened by Prof. Mary Robert Smith of Stanford University, Cal.

3:00—"Poor Asylums and Paupers in Kansas," by W. L. A. Johnson, Commissioner Bureau Labor and Industry and Factory Inspection, Topeka.

3:15—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.) Opened by Secretary Amos Butler, of Indianapolis.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 23.

2:00—"Out-Door Relief," by Frederic Almy, Secretary of the Charity Organization Society, Buffalo, N. Y.

2:15—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

3:00—"Almshouses, Their Problems and Their Functions," by Miss Mary Vida Clarke of the State Charities Aid Association, New York.

3:15—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

II. ORGANIZATION OF CHARITY.

Chairman, Charles S. Grout, of Indianapolis.

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

11:00—*Election of Secretary for the Section.*

11:05—"Charity Organization Principles Applied to Mission Work," by Rev. C. N. Pond, of Oberlin, O., Secretary Industrial Missionary Association of Alabama.

11:20—*Discussion.* (Five minute limit.)

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, May 22.

- 2:00 "Compulsory Education in its Relation to the Charity Problem," by Perry N. Hiser, Head Truant Officer of Indianapolis.
2:15—*Discussion*. (Five minute limit.)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 23.

- 2:00—"Development of the Individual," by W. C. Smallwood, General Secretary Associated Charities, Minneapolis, Minn.
2:15—*Discussion*. (Five minutes limit.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 23.

- 8:00—*General Meeting*. (For program see page 13.)

III. CARE OF DESTITUTE AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

Chairman, Supt. G. A. Merrill, of Owatonna, Minn.

SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 20.

- 8:00—*General Meeting*. (For program see page 11.)

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

- 11:00—*Election of Secretary for the Section*.
11:05—"The State Public School Idea at Its Best," by Supt. J. B. Montgomery of the Michigan State Public School at Coldwater.
11:20—*Discussion*. Opened by Supt. E. D. Hillis of the Kansas State Soldiers' Orphans' Home, at Atchison.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

- 2:00—"The Responsibility of Providing for the Entire Future of a Child Through Home Placing," by Supt. W. T. Gardner of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, of Oregon, Portland.
2:15—*Discussion*. Opened by Rev. E. P. Quivey, Supt. Nebraska Children's Home Society, Omaha.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, May 23.

- 2:00—"Educational Work with Dependent Children," by Eva Harding, M. D., of Topeka.
2:15—*Discussion*. (Five minute limit.)

IV. REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

Chairman, Supt. Lyman D. Drake, of Boonville, Missouri.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 19.

2:00—*Election of Secretary for the Section.*

2:05—"Should Civil Service be Adopted in State Institutions?" by Supt. W. S. Hancock, of Topeka.

2:20—*Discussion.* Opened by Supt. T. F. Chapin of Westboro, Mass.

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

11:00—"Should Superintendents be given Exclusive Authority to Employ and Discharge Employees," by Supt. J. W. Brown, of Red Wing, Minn.

11:15—*Discussion.* Opened by Supt. J. E. St. John, of Lansing, Mich.

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 21,

8:00—*General Meeting.* (For program see page 11.)

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 22.

10:00—"Should the Influence of Organized Labor Deter Institutions from Introducing Trades Teaching," by Supt. B. J. Miles of Eldora, Ia.

2:15—*Discussion.* Opened by Supt. Ira Otterson of Jamesburg, N. J.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

2:00—"Industrial Employment as a Factor in the Reformation of Girls," by Mrs. L. U. DeBolt, of Chillicothe, Mo.

2:15—*Discussion.* Opened by Mrs. W. G. Fairbanks, of Middletown, Conn.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 23.

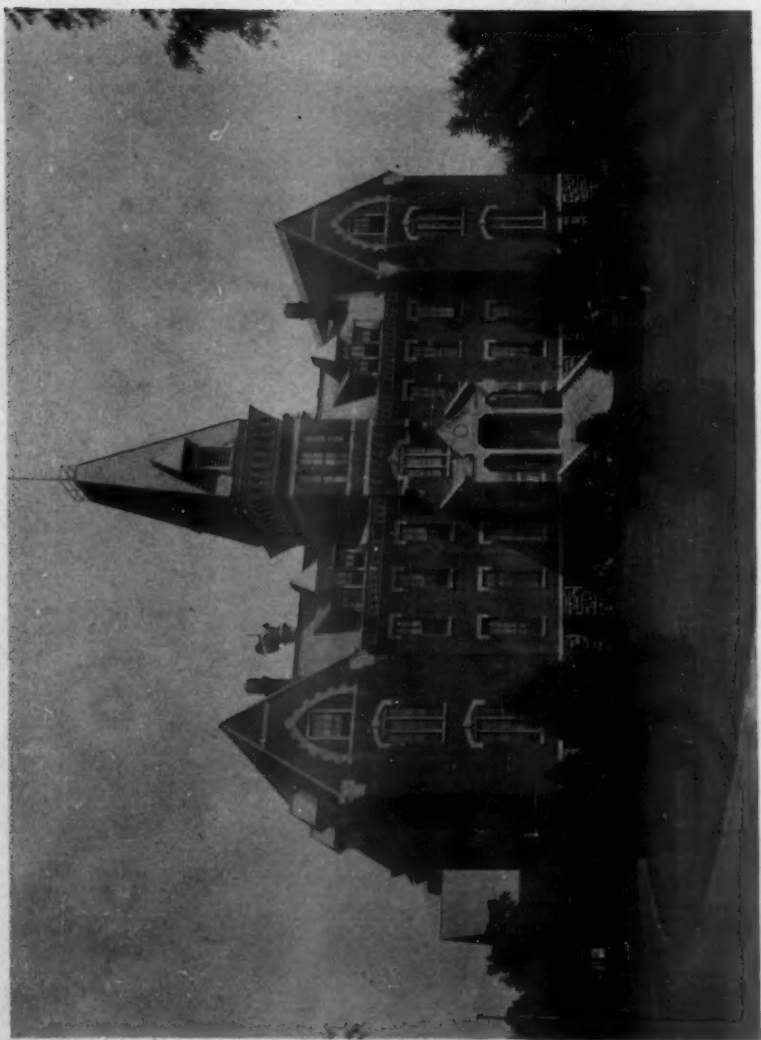
10:00—"Co-Operation of Superintendents," by Supt. E. P. Wentworth, of South Portland, Me.

10:20—*Discussion.* Opened by Supt. D. H. Barrett, of Lancaster, O.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 23.

2:00—"Should the Merit or Demerit System be Regarded as Important by Institutions," by Supt. B. L. Olds, of Golden, Col.

2:15—*Discussion.* Opened by Supt. F. H. Briggs, of Rochester, N. Y.



KANSAS STATE REFORM SCHOOL--TOPEKA.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE OF 1900.

It was not expected that the membership of the Cincinnati Conference would equal the magnificent record of the New York Conference of 1898, but the membership exceeds that of any other Conference except that the enrolled membership for the years named was as follows: 1893, 330; 1894, 350; 1895, 992; 1896, 1,199; 1897, 1,117; 1898, 1,519; 1899, 1,327.

The representation by states is as follows:

Alabama.....	3	Louisiana.....	13	Oregon.....	2
Alaska.....	1	Maine.....	4	Pennsylvania.....	50
Arkansas.....	1	Maryland.....	31	Rhode Island.....	22
California.....	15	Massachusetts.....	143	South Dakota.....	1
Colorado.....	18	Michigan.....	49	Tennessee.....	8
Connecticut.....	60	Minnesota.....	46	Texas.....	3
Delaware.....	3	Mississippi.....	1	Vermont.....	5
District Colum b.....	17	Missouri.....	21	Virginia.....	6
Georgia.....	1	Nebraska.....	6	Washington.....	2
Illinois.....	63	New Hampshire.....	8	West Virginia.....	6
Indiana.....	42	New Jersey.....	36	Wisconsin.....	29
Iowa.....	18	New York.....	341	Wyoming.....	1
Kansas.....	6	North Carolina.....	2	Ontario.....	17
Kentucky.....	15	Ohio.....	186		

All of the states are represented except Florida, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, South Carolina and Utah. There are 17 members from Canada and 7 from foreign countries, representing England, Scotland, Germany, Belgium, Japan, New Zealand and Chili.

The cities having five or more members each, are as follows: (1) New York, 256; (2) Cincinnati, 68; (3) Boston, 64; (4) Chicago, 38; (5) Philadelphia, 30; (6) Baltimore, 28; (7) Cleveland, 18; (8) Washington 17; (9) New Haven, 16; (10) St. Louis, 16; (11) Albany, 14; (12) St. Paul, 14; (13) Indianapolis, 14. (14) Detroit, 13; (15) New Orleans, 13; (16) Cambridge, 12; (17) Hartford, 12; (18) Denver, 11; (19) Buffalo, 11; (20) Dayton 10; (21) Providence, 10; (22) Toronto, 9; (23) Minneapolis. 9; (24) Nashville; 8; (25) Brookline, Mass., 7; (26) Grand Rapids; 7; (27) Louisville, 7; (28) Milwaukee, 7; (29) San Francisco, 7; (30) Terre Haute, 6; (31) Lansing, 6; (32) Madison, 6; (33) Des Moines, 6; (34) Dorchester, Mass., 5; (36) Middleton, 5; (36) Mansfield, O., 5; (37) Troy, N. Y., 5; (38) Newark, N. J., 5; (39) Springfield, Mass., 5.

NECROLOGY.

CAPT. JOSEPH NICHOLSON, at Detroit, March, 18, 1900, in his 74th year. Capt. Nicholson was for twenty-one years superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction. He was an old lake captain, and an excellent disciplinarian; a man of sterling integrity and an admirable business man. He made the Detroit House of Correction self-sustaining. He dealt with the most difficult and hopeless class of humanity, yet he was ever watchful for signs of manhood, and always ready to help any man who showed a desire for a better life.

HON. CHARLES A. PILLSBURY, at Minneapolis, Sept. 17, 1899. Mr. Pillsbury was a broad and noble spirited man. He was for many years the manager of the Pillsbury milling interests, and was largely instrumental in establishing the successful system of profit sharing maintained by that company. Mr. Pillsbury did not believe in establishing institutions or model tenements, but believed in encouraging working men to do for themselves. It was his pride that there had never been a strike among his workmen. He said: "Every employe of this firm knows that if he has a grievance he can present it at any time, and it will receive prompt and considerate attention." Mr. Pillsbury was chairman of the state relief commission after the great forest fires in Minnesota in 1894, and his great administrative ability was invaluable. The commission expended about \$150,000 in cash and distributed large quantities of supplies. Three years later an official inquiry showed that out of 2,700 people relieved by the commission, only three widows with their families were dependent on charity in Pine County, where the fire occurred.

MRS. R. J. MENDENHALL, at Minneapolis, January 11, 1900. Mrs. Mendenhall was a woman of rare and beautiful spirit, and was a helpful charity worker, and an earnest student of the best methods. Mrs. Mendenhall has long been identified with the work of the Bethany Home in Minneapolis.

PROFESSOR S. OLIN GARRISON, at Vineland, New Jersey, April 17, 1900. Professor Garrison was well-known as the superintendent of the New Jersey Training School for Feeble-Minded Children.

J. S. SPONABLE, at Paola, Kansas, November 1, 1899, aged sixty-seven years.

The State Conferences of Charities.

THE COLORADO STATE CONFERENCE.

BY SECRETARY C. L. STONAKER.

The Fifth State Conference of Charities and Correction was held in Pueblo, March 25-27, 1900. The President of the Conference was the Hon. O. E. LeFevre, District Judge, Denver. The programme was arranged by an executive committee and was carried out closely upon the plan devised in advance by that committee. The committee desired to have an open discussion at all sessions and to secure that result only one person was assigned on the programme for any one of the sessions. This gave plenty of time and opportunity for liberal discussion by all delegates who desired to talk and resulted in enthusiasm which did not lag at any time during the Conference. The committee found the rule of having the Conference open with a mass meeting on Sunday evening most satisfactory, as by such a meeting interest is aroused which results in liberal attendance at all succeeding session.

Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth was secured to deliver the main address at the Sunday night meeting. She gave an interesting talk upon her personal experiences closing with her remarkable work in behalf of discharged prisoners. The Rev. T. H. Malone, of the Roman Catholic Church followed her with a high eulogy of her work and stated that no man could afford at every opportunity in his power not to give his unqualified endorsement of her prison work.

The county commissioners of the state were invited to be present for the discussion of the "Administration of the County Poor Fund." This proved so interesting and the county commissioners present discovered so many advantages in such a conference that they immediately organized for a state conference of their own which will be held in Denver early in May. It was found in the discussion of this subject of the county poor fund that municipal organizations need not conflict with the county commissioners necessarily and that by co-operation better results in the work of temporary relief may be accomplished. Mr. O. S. Storrs, of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, spoke of advisory work of county and state boards which was followed by an interesting summary of the Iowa State Board of Control by Dr. F. M. Powell, Superintendent of the Iowa State Home for Feeble Minded. Mr. J. S. Appel, of Denver, read a paper on Crime and Criminals, being a historical review. Charles Landes, of Pueblo,

spoke of "Training of Juvenile Delinquents," and Mrs. Rodney M. Curtis, of Denver, gave a review of the placing-out system in force under state laws by the management of the State Home for Dependent and Neglected Children. Her address aroused an interesting debate upon the question whether private institutions should be premitted, without some restriction to engage in the indiscriminate reception of children and their final disposition.

One session was devoted to Municipal Charity Work, the principles of which were laid down by Mrs. S. Izetta George, Secretary of the Charity Organization Society of Denver, and the Rev. E. Evans Carrington, of Colorado Springs, followed with terse remarks upon the subject, "Organizing for Municipal Charity Work."

Dr. F. M. Powell read a carefully prepared paper upon "Custodial Care for Feeble Minded and Epileptics," and urged Colorado to lose no time in joining with other states in this important work. Heads of state institutions were given opportunity to explain the progress made in their respective institutions and of their growing needs.

A number of resolutions were adopted recommending that a woman be given place on Boards of Control of state institutions; that supervision of private institutions be required by law; that the poor laws be revised, and that the work test be applied in municipal and county charities.

The next Conference is to be held in Boulder, Nov. 18-20, 1900. Hon. James H. Baker, President of the State University, was elected President of the Conference.

THE IOWA STATE CONFERENCE.

BY JOSEPH R. DOWNIE.

The Third Annual Meeting of the Iowa State Conference of Charities and Corrections was in session in Cedar Rapids during March 27, 28 and 29. Owing to the very unpropitious weather there were but few of the delegates from a distance in attendance. Though small the Conference was an exceedingly interesting and valuable one. Wonderful strides have been made in the thought of those interested in sociological matters in Iowa. The educational influence of these conferences is largely responsible for this advance, though the very efficient Board of Control has also been instrumental. The members of the Board are very live men, and especially alive to the interests of state institutions, and they are adopting the most acceptable methods as fast as possible.

The opening paper by Professor Isaac A. Loos, of the State University, who was acting president in the absence of the president, I. H. Shaver, was full of valuable suggestions. The balance of the morning

was devoted to the question of the unemployed, in which the Hon. James F. Jackson, of Minnesota, took an active part. The afternoon session was devoted to the subject of "Charity Organization," dealing mainly with the question of organization in cities of populations under 20,000. The relation of the church to charity organization was also a part of the theme. In the evening Dr. H. H. Hart gave a most instructive lecture on "Child Saving," presenting many valuable illustrations with the stereopticon.

The Wednesday morning meeting was a very spirited one; "Degeneracy as a Cause of Pauperism" was the subject of a paper by Professor G. T. W. Patrick, of the State University. Several persons took exceptions to the conclusions of Professor Patrick, which lent spice to the occasion.

In the following discussion on the "Administration of County Charities" Judge Kinne and Mr. Cownie of the Board of Control took an active part and suggested valuable changes that might be made.

A visit to the penitentiary at Anamosa was made in the afternoon. Warden Hunter met the party at the prison and turned over the keys of the institution to the party. The capacity of the prison is being doubled and additions built for an improvement contemplated by the state. This is to make this prison into an industrial school for the less vicious of the state's criminals. The work is all being done by the prisoners, thus saving the state over \$250,000. In this prison has been instituted the system of grading the prisoners into three classes according to their behavior, and designated by the clothing worn. It means much to be in the first grade, and it is interesting that the majority are so classified, while very few are wearing the old stripes in the third grade.

The question of county jails and convict labor was taken up on Thursday morning. Mr. Cownie, of the Board of Control, was very emphatic in his disapproval of the use of prisoners in the making of public highways, and thought that the contract system was the best method now known of. He thought union labor would have to submit to the little competition that this work developed. The work that a few hundred men could turn out in the great State of Iowa he thought quite immaterial anyway.

The closing session was on the care of the insane, and unlike last year, the present method of caring for the chronic insane in the county house had few supporters. State care, in institutions built on the cottage plan, was decided to be the best, and members of the Board of Control stated that this was what the state was aiming at.

Professor I. A. Loos, of Iowa City was made president for the ensuing year, and Miss Charlotta Goff, of Des Moines, was re-elected secretary. The place of next meeting was left in the hands of a committee.

THE NEBRASKA STATE CONFERENCE.

BY DR. CHARLES A. ELWOOD.

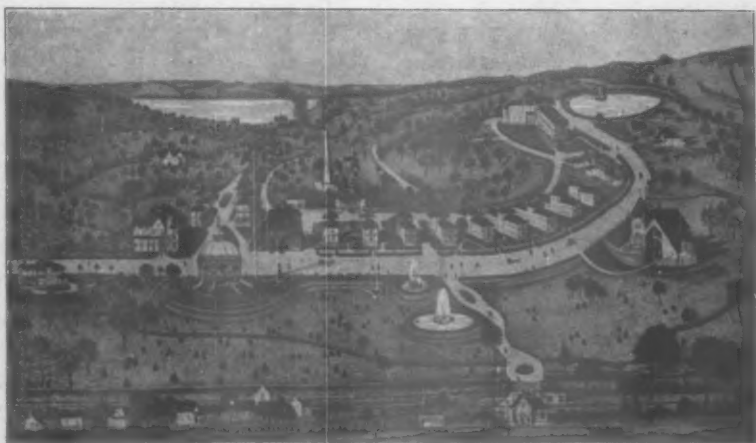
The Third Annual Nebraska Conference of Charities and Correction met at Lincoln, in the chapel of the State University, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 7th. Representatives were present from most of the leading charitable and correctional institutions of the state, and also from a number of private philanthropies. Governor Poynter in his address of welcome emphasized the necessity of conference and consultation between the officers of state charitable institutions upon questions of administration. He called especial attention to the lack of a system of classification in the Nebraska prisons. Acting Chancellor Bessey, of the State University, in welcoming the members of the Conference to the University grounds said that the University was proud to have contributed to the work of scientific philanthropy such a man as the late Dr. Amos G. Warner. He also made some very pertinent remark about the necessity of civil service reform in the administration of charitable and correctional institutions. Universities, he said could not be expected to take up the work of training experts for these institutions if they were not administered in accordance with the merit system, nor could students be expected to spend time in such training if skill and fidelity were not rewarded.

The first paper on the programme was by Supt. J. E. Harris, of the Nebraska Institute for the Blind. He discussed the "Duty of the State Toward Dependents," with especial reference to the blind. Rev. E. von Forell, Chaplain of the Industrial School for Boys at Hearnery, read a very suggestive paper on "The Imbecile, the Criminal, and the Pauper," discussing the relations of these three social classes. Rev. T. J. Mackay, of the Nebraska Children's Home Society, Omaha, was to have spoken on "Family Life Versus Institutional Life for Children," but could not be present. Rev. L. P. Ludden, of Lincoln, spoke informally on the subject for a few minutes.

The evening session of the Conference was perhaps the most valuable of all, though a storm prevented a large attendance. Mrs. M. E. Sly, of the Child Saving Institute, Omaha, opened the session with the reading of an interesting paper on "The Disinherited." This was followed by a splendid address on "The New Charity," by Dr. H. H. Hart, for many years secretary of the National Conference of Charities and Correction. The address was a popular but masterly presentation of the ideal and methods of scientific philanthropy. The new charity, the speaker said, is sympathetic, intelligent, co-operative, remedial and preventive.

The Thursday morning session of the Conference was even more poorly attended than the Wednesday evening session, owing to the storm. Dr. Charles A. Ellwood, secretary of the Charity Organization Society, Lincoln, spoke briefly on the "Problems of Relief Work." Mrs. Edwards,

superintendent of the Nebraska Industrial Home for Girls at Milford, read a carefully prepared paper on the "Duty of the State in Reformatory Work." After the discussion of the paper the Conference held an election of officers. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Guy Barton, Omaha; Vice President, C. A. Ellwood, Lincoln; Secretary, A. W. Clark, Omaha; Enrolling Secretary, H. V. Wolf, South Omaha; Treasurer, E. von Forell, Kearney; Members of Executive Committee, Gov. Poynter, Acting Chancellor Bessey and Mrs. Edwards. Invitations for the Conference to hold its next meeting at Omaha and at Nebraska City were received and referred to the Executive Committee.



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